

Mayor Wilson declared the meeting open at 10:25am and welcomed all in attendance.

PRESENT

John Wilson	Mayor
Mark Martin	Elected Member
Wally Minjin	Elected Member
Ralph Narburup	Elected Member

Staff

Shaun Hardy	Chief Executive Officer
Steve Horton	Director of Council and Community Services
Ramesh Pudasaini	Senior Financial Consultant (CouncilBiz)
Rebecca Purser	Manager Corporate
Glenn Parker	Community Services Manager Wadeye
Scott Page	Community Services Manager Nganmariyanga
Gary Day	Community Services Manager Peppimenarti (Acting)
Damian Opiel	Civil Supervisor/Builder
Wilfred Harris	Senior Night Patrol Team Leader

Guests

Francis Lawson	Director Department of Health
Margaret Hayes	Department of Health
Elise DeAbrew	Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet
Henry Wilson	Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet
Jonathon McLeod	Northern Land Council

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Terry Sams	Deputy Mayor
Mark Tunmuck-Smith	Elected Member

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND STAFF

There were no declarations of interest at this Council Meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 May 2018

083/2018 RECOMMENDATION:

That the minutes be taken as read and be accepted as a true record of the Meeting.

Moved: Cr. Martin
Seconded: Cr. Narburup
Resolution: Unanimously

CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

Shaun Hardy, Chief Executive Officer, advised that Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet would like to give a presentation regarding Community Night Patrol after the lunch break.

Shaun Hardy, Chief Executive Officer, advised that there is a late agenda item for inclusion in the confidential agenda regarding Commercial Sub-Leases.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

1) Presentation - Department of Health

Francis Lawson and Margaret Hayes from the Department of Health spoke to Council regarding the current status of the Thamarrurr Aged Care Facility.

Concerns were raised regarding Australian Aged Care Quality (ACQAA) standards being not met and/or being only part met, consistent underspends in the NATSI FACP and current staff vacancies.

The Department noted the vast improvements Council are making with Thamarrurr Aged Care and are committed to continue to provide Council with assistance to ensure that the facility is compliant with ACQAA standards.

Council committed to continue working with the Department on required improvements and attempts to stabilise staffing.

08 Motion:

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1. That Council receives and notes the information regarding Aged Care.

Moved: Cr. Narburup

Seconded: Cr. Martin

Resolution: Unanimously

10:25am - Francis Lawson and Margaret Hayes left the meeting at the conclusion of discussions.

10:57am – Elise DeAbrew and Henry Wilson joined the meeting

2) Presentation – Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet

Department of PM&C advised that the Community Night Patrol (CNP) contract with the Council has been extended for one year.

CNP is working towards achieving greater community safety and school attendance and greater flexibility in funding agreements and service delivery. Consultation with various stakeholders is required regarding community issues to enable CNP to address community safety and school attendance.

CEO sought access to the draft Memorandum of Understanding between the Australian Government and Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C) so that the drafting of the MOU between NT Police, Council, Wadeye Safe House and the Wadeye School can commence. PM&C to advise CEO if the draft MOU can be circulated.

Senior Financial Consultant advised PM&C that 80% of grant funding received is for payroll which severely reduces the amount of funding available for operational costs such as repairs and maintenance, training, PPE and vehicles.

CNP Senior Team Leader advised that there is a great need for a men's shelter/program.

CNP Senior Team Leader also suggested to PM&C that the 50% of funds that is quarantined on the Basic Card should not be allowed to be spent on phone credit as

Basic Card holders are spending the money on phones and credit and other non consumables rather than food which results in humbug and arguments in family groups.

Action	Person responsible
Grant application to convert Lot 471 Wadeye into Men's Shed/Shelter to be submitted	CEO/Director of Council and Community Services/Manager Grants
Location for a Men's shelter for Peppimenarti be identified	CEO/Director of Council and Community Services

08 **Motion:**

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1. That Council receives and notes the information presented by Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.

Moved: Cr. Minjin

Seconded: Cr. Martin

Resolution: Unanimously

11:30pm - Elise DeAbrew and Henry Wilson left the meeting at the conclusion of discussions.

3) Chief Executive Officer's Report

Chief Executive Officer spoke to his written report.

Matters to note:

- NAIDOC Week public holiday dates yet to be confirmed for all three communities.
- Mayor Wilson requested that when WDRC staff go out to Homelands to check on work in progress that an Elected Member should be in attendance.
- The Department of Housing and Community Development have made inquiries as to whether the Local Authorities are the appropriate contacts for a Housing Reference Group. It was discussed that for Peppimenarti and Nganmariyanga that this would be suitable however Wadeye should involve all clan groups.

Action	Person responsible
All tractors requiring repairs are to be sent into Darwin to be repaired	Community Services Manager Wadeye
Peppimenarti Road. Concrete needs to be removed from second and third creek crossings and the road near the bore needs to have the gravel pushed back into the culvert	Community Services Manager (Acting) Peppimenarti
Invitation be sent to Minister for Housing, Gerry McCarthy to attend next Council Meeting	CEO

08 **Motion:**

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1. That Council note the Chief Executive Officer's report.

Moved: Cr. Narburup

Seconded: Cr. Minjin

Resolution: Unanimously

11:45am - Councillor Narburup left the meeting.
 Chairman paused the meeting due to quorum requirements.
 11:47am – Councillor Narburup returned to the meeting.

4) Homelands Report

Director of Council and Community Services spoke to his written report.

Matters to note:

- Kuy, Fossil Head and Old Mission works are completed.
- Ablution block repairs at Perrederr have been completed.

Action	Person responsible
Request for the Department of Housing and Community Development Asbestos Assessment Team to assess all funded homelands.	CEO
Quotations for Mobile Booster Towers to be sought for all funded homelands	Director of Council and Community Services/Civil Services Supervisor/Builder
Assessments regarding solar systems as opposed to generators are being carried out and will be reported back to Council for consideration	Director of Council and Community Services/Civil Services Supervisor/Builder

08 Motion:

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1. That Council receives and notes the information regarding Homelands

Moved: Cr. Minjin
 Seconded: Cr. Martin
 Resolution: Unanimously

12.20pm - Mayor Wilson closed the meeting for lunch.
 1:10pm – Mayor Wilson declared the meeting re-open.

1:10pm – Jonathon McLeod from NLC joined the meeting.

5) Presentation - Northern Land Council (ABA Homelands Projects)

Jonathon McLeod from NLC conducted a power point presentation.

\$40 million has been directed from the ABA for the Homelands Project as it is a priority for the ABA committee. NLC are facilitating consultations on behalf of the ABA. There are approximately 630 homeland communities within the Northern Territory and approximately 200 homelands that are regularly occupied in the Northern Land Council region.

The project provides a one-off investment that improves the capacity of homelands to self manage basic living requirements.

Each eligible homeland will have an opportunity to be considered for funding of allocations of up to \$150,000, \$500,000 and \$1,000,000.

Funding is available for new and upgraded essential services infrastructure, upgrades and repairs to infrastructure that supports access to a homeland and new or upgraded tele-communications infrastructure.

Funding is not available for the creation of new homelands, new housing or major

upgrades/repairs, new infrastructure, vehicles or machinery, direct support for existing local enterprises and no ongoing operational costs for newly installed infrastructure.

A selection criteria is applied to each proposal based on benefit, need and capacity.

Action	Person responsible
Provide NLC with current homelands assessments and prepare draft proposals.	CEO/Director of Council and Community Services

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the information presented by Northern Land Council.**

Moved: Cr. Minjin

Seconded: Cr. Martin

Resolution: Unanimously

1:30pm - Glenn Parker joined the meeting

1:55pm – Councillor Martin left the meeting

Chairman paused the meeting due to quorum requirements.

2:00pm – Councillor Martin returned to the meeting

2:00pm – Johnathon McLeod left the meeting following discussion.

6) Draft Regional Plan and Budget 2018-19

Chief Executive Officer presented the Councillors with the Draft Regional Plan for their consideration and comment.

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- 1. That Council authorises the release of the draft Regional Plan and Budget 2018-19 (as tabled) for public consultation.**
- 2. That Council authorises the publishing of a notice on its website and in the NT News inviting written submissions on the draft Regional Plan and Budget 2018-19 for a period of 21 days.**

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Minjin

Resolution: Unanimously

7) Aged Care Report

Director of Council and Community Services spoke to his written report.

09 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the information regarding Thamarrurr Aged Care Services**

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Minjin

Resolution: Unanimously

2:25pm – Councillor Narburup left the meeting

Chairman paused the meeting due to quorum requirements.

2:31pm – Councillor Narburup returned to the meeting

2:31pm – Councillor Minjin left the meeting

Chairman paused the meeting due to quorum requirements.

2:32pm – Councillor Narburup left the meeting

2:33pm – Councillor Minjin and Councillor Narburup returned to the meeting.

8) Financial Report - May 2018

Senior Financial Consultant (CouncilBiz) spoke to his written report.

09 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Financial Report for May 2018.**

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Narburup

Resolution: Unanimously

9) Travel Policy for Council Members and Employees

09 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council adopt the revised policy on “ Travel Policy for Council Members and Employees”**

Moved: Cr. Narburup

Seconded: Cr. Minjin

Resolution: Unanimously

10) Local Authority Allowances 2018/19

09 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Local Authority allowance for 2018/19**
- 2. Council set the allowance payable to Local Authority members for the 2018-19 financial year as:
Chair: \$168 per meeting; Eligible member: \$126 per meeting**

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Minjin

Resolution: Unanimously

11) Deed of Variation No. 1 between the Commonwealth of Australia as represented by the Department of Health and West Daly Regional Council for the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flexible Aged Care Program (NATSIFACP)

09 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council approves the use of the common seal on Deed of Variation No. 1 between the Commonwealth of Australia as represented by the Department of Health and West Daly Regional Council for the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander**

Flexible Aged Care Program (NATSIFACP).

Moved: Cr. Narburup
Seconded: Cr. Minjin
Resolution: Unanimously

12) Variation No.2 of 2017-2018 Homelands Extra Allowance Funding Agreement - Round 7

09 Motion:

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Variation No.2 of 2017-2018 Homelands Extra Allowance Funding Agreement – Round 7 from Department of Housing and Community Development.**

Moved: Cr. Minjin
Seconded: Cr. Narburup
Resolution: Unanimously

13) Department of Human Services Agent and Access Point Program Invitation

09 Motion:

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Department of Human Services Agent and Access Point Program's signed contract.**

Moved: Cr. Minjin
Seconded: Cr. Martin
Resolution: Unanimously

14) Indigenous Advancement Strategy Programme - NAIDOC Week Funding

09 Motion:

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- 1. That Council receives and notes NAIDOC Week Funding from Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.**

Moved: Cr. Minjin
Seconded: Cr. Narburup
Resolution: Unanimously

15) Wadeye Local Authority Nomination

09 Motion:

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- 1. That Council appoints Wilfred Harris as a Local Authority member for Wadeye.**

Moved: Cr. Martin
Seconded: Cr. Narburup
Resolution: Unanimously

COMMUNITY REPORTS

16) Wadeye Community Services Manager's Report

Community Services Manager spoke to his written report.

Action	Person responsible
Wadeye Grader to be loaned to Peppimenarti for fire breaks to be done. Once completed Grader to be returned to Wadeye.	Community Services Managers for Wadeye and Peppimenarti

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1. That Council receives and notes the Community Services Manager's report.
2. That Council approves the following vehicles be sent to auction and removed from the Assets Register once disposed:
 - MV000013 – Toyota Landcruiser – 742014
 - MV000036 – Toyota Hilux – CA37UH
 - MV000015 – Troop Carrier Wagon – CA83PV
 - MV000021 – Toyota Hilux – 975564
 - MV000022 – Toyota Landcruiser – 981191
 - MV000024 – Toyota Hilux – CA23PO
 - MV000040 – Toyota Hilux – CB62KW
 - MV000043 – Mitsubishi Canter – 711732
 - Toyota Landcruiser – CC48LT
3. That Council approves the recommendation of Quote QU-0001510 for the supply and installation of street lighting in Wadeye.

Moved: Cr. Narburup
Seconded: Cr. Martin
Resolution: Unanimously

17) Nganmariyanga Community Services Manager's Report

Community Services Manager spoke to his written report.

Action	Person responsible
Lot 79 demountable be demolished and disposed of and once complete removed from the Asset Register.	Community Services Managers Nganmariyanga

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1. That Council receives and notes the Nganmariyanga Community Services Managers report.
2. That Council approve for the old demountable located on lot 79 be demolished and then removed from the Assets Register.

Moved: Cr. Minjin
Seconded: Cr. Narburup

Resolution: Unanimously

18) Peppimenarti Community Services Manager's Report (Acting)

Community Services Manager (Acting) spoke to his written report.

Action	Person responsible
Nganmariyanga slasher to be loaned to Peppimenarti for slashing works to be carried out	Community Services Managers for Nganmariyanga and Peppimenarti
All three communities to have a minimum standard sets of Plant and Equipment. Quotations to be sourced and Plant and Equipment purchased.	All Community Services Managers

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Peppimenarti Community Services Manager's (Acting) report.**

Moved: Cr. Narburup
Seconded: Cr. Minjin
Resolution: Unanimously

19) Community Night Patrol Senior Team Leader's Report

Community Night Patrol Senior Team Leader spoke to his written report.

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Senior Night Patrol Team Leader's report.**

Moved: Cr. Martin
Seconded: Cr. Minjin
Resolution: Unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE IN & OUT

20) Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence

10 Motion:

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- 1. That Council accept the correspondence**

Moved: Cr. Martin
Seconded: Cr. Narburup
Resolution: Unanimously

3:35pm - DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

RECOMMENDATION:

Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course

of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 65(2) of the *Local Government Act* as the items lists come within the following provisions:-

- 21 Request for Exemption from Local Government (Accounting) Regulations** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (f) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains Under Part 4 of the Local Government Regulations 8 (c) (i) "cause commercial prejudice to or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person".*
- 22 CouncilBIZ Services for 2018/19** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (f) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains Under Part 4 of the Local Government Regulations 8 (c) (i) "cause commercial prejudice to or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person".*

Late Item:

- 23 Commercial Sub-Leases** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (f) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains Under Part 4 of the Local Government Regulations 8 (c) (i) "cause commercial prejudice to or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person".*

The meeting closed at 3:49pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 9 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Meeting of Council HELD ON Wednesday, 20 June 2018 AND CONFIRMED 25 July 2018.